

General Clay Would Place All Officers Under Same Uniform And Single Chief

WASHINGTON — Gen. Lucius D. Clay proposed to investigate senators Thursday that U.S. military forces be drastically reorganized with all major commanders in the same uniform and under a single chief.

The retired World War II Army general said single control is necessary because "no future commander is going to fight a war with the weapons of one service."

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Sound Cut Off As Former Major Tells Of Saucers

NEW YORK — The sound was cut off on a CBS television program Wednesday night when author Donald C. Keyhoe, a former Marine Corps major, began to digress from the script in speaking of flying saucers.

A network employe explained that "nobody knew what he was going to say."

Keyhoe was silenced for about 15 seconds during "The Armstrong Circle Theatre" presentation of a documentary on flying objects. The program was "UFO—enigma of the skies."

Keyhoe is the author of "The Flying Saucers are Real." He had just said these words when the sound was cut off: "We are meeting in secret with a congressional committee. If these meetings were public it would be proved."

CBS later issued a statement signed by Keyhoe saying the incident was "due to a misunderstanding on my part about the rules for approval of script changes."

The statement did not disclose what Keyhoe was going to say.

Robert E. Costello, producer of the show, said he ordered Keyhoe's microphone cut off when he deviated from the script. The picture of Keyhoe remained on the TV screen.

Four Klansmen Given Sentences Upon Conviction

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Four Ku Klux Klansmen convicted in the beating of an aged Negro man were sentenced to prison terms here Thursday.

General Sessions Judge James M. Brailsford Jr. sentenced 35-year-old Marshall Rochester, 30-year-old Greenville Klan head, to six years at hard labor.

Wade Henry Howard, 24, who with Rochester was convicted of conspiracy to commit assault and battery and with committing assault and battery, received a three year sentence.

Two others, Jack Bentley, 24, and Robert E. Waldrop, 28, were sentenced to one year each for conspiracy.

An all-white jury returned the verdicts Wednesday night against the four who were charged in the beating last July 21 of Claud Cruell, 58-year-old Negro, who with his wife were caring for seven white children whose mother was hospitalized.

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Glendale Completes Hiring Of Administrative Staff

Members of the Glendale School Board completed the hiring of administrative personnel in the school system at the board's regular meeting this week.

Supt. Marlen Yoder will begin his second year as superintendent. Millard Gilbreath was rehired for a sixth year as elementary school principal, and he will also serve as school head for the education of handicapped children.

New principal at the high school will be Lawrence Gibson who will also keep his other posts as high school football coach and science teacher.

Stevenson's resignation as elementary school janitor was accepted. He will be retired at the end of January and Fred Burkett will fill the vacated position.

Ask Route Extensions Supt. Marlen Yoder read requests from members of the community, living beyond the present bus routes, for extension of the route or payment of living costs for students in lieu of transportation. The board reiterated an earlier action, that the district will continue to provide transportation for all students on the accepted bus routes, but cannot provide board and room in lieu of transportation.

In other action taken by the board, it turned down a proposal for constructing a cement water storage tank and putting in a new pump by Windy Creek for extra fire prevention for the high school, and they decided to postpone sale of city lots belonging to the school system until April, at which time they will be up for bids.

A considerable time was spent by the board discussing recommendations to be made to the budget board meeting, next Thursday.

Reports On Curriculum Yoder also gave a report on the curriculum in the high school and the general rules being followed in school to promote better learning. The report was so well accepted by the board, that it was decided to devote about 30 minutes of each board meeting to discussion of curriculum.

Robert Lee of the faculty will report on the language arts program of the high school at the next meeting, Feb. 4.

Yoder reported that the Glendale "Chips," a mimeographed superintendent's report to the community, had been mailed to box owners. Anyone not receiving a copy in that way can secure one at his office.

FCC Commissioners Accused Of Taking Industry Favors

NEW YORK — The New York Times said today a secret staff memorandum to a House subcommittee charges members of the Federal Communications Commission with illegally accepting industry favors.

A Washington dispatch to the Times said the memorandum also accuses some commissioners of fraternizing with litigants.

The Times story also reported: The 28-page memorandum was prepared by Dr. Bernard Schwartz, 35, chief counsel of the special subcommittee on legislative oversight and a professor of law at New York University.

The New York Times obtained the document, intended to be the starting point of public hearings Monday. The subcommittee, however, voted at a closed meeting to lay aside Schwartz's proposal in favor of a "general survey" hearing of what would bring in the heads of six government agencies, of which the FCC is included.

A member of the subcommittee denied that this procedure had masked any thought of "white-washing" the FCC or an other segment of government under investigation. Rep. John J. Flynn (D-Ga.) said the subcommittee wanted, rather, to be sure that the investigation would go forward under rules of "evidence and fair play."

The Schwartz memorandum cited several examples of alleged personal misconduct on the part of FCC commissioners. The memorandum also criticized some of the practices followed by the commissioners in granting licenses for television stations.

Car Not Stolen For Long; Haystead Gives Chase

PORTLAND — Robert D. Stark ran out of his house here Wednesday—shoesless and shirtless—looking for whoever just drove off in his car.

Stark's luck was good, for state policeman Joseph Haystead pulled up to the curb and asked if anything was wrong. Stark told him about the car, and the chase was on.

After a wild ride at speeds up to 75 miles an hour, the policeman forced the stolen car over to the curb.

In it were two boys who escaped Tuesday from the MacLaren Home for Boys at Woodburn.

Sutherland's Sophomore Class Starts Polio Drive

Sutherland High's sophomore class gets its March-of-Dimes Drive under way this weekend with a car wash and cake and candy sale. The events will be held Saturday, starting at 9 a. m.

The car wash will take place at Dick's Shell Station, and the cake and candy sale will be held in front of the Golden Rule in Sutherland. All proceeds will be turned over to the March of Dimes.

Drain Chamber Officers To Take Over Duties

New board members of the Drain Chamber of Commerce will take over their duties following the annual chamber banquet Saturday night at Drain School.

The new board members include Stacy Johnson, Verne Thompson, Dick Duncan, Bob Cool and Chester Rydell. Bishop of Portland Benjamin D. Dagwell of the Episcopal Church will be chief speaker at the 7 p. m. dinner. Other activities are planned.

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Mother Awaits Final Decision In Elaine's Case

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — Mrs. Frank Soule of Freeport, N.Y., whose daughter faces either a prison term for murder or a mental institution, says "it's a peculiar situation to want your daughter to be sick."

Twenty-year-old Elaine Soule could be sentenced to five years to life for slaying her roommate, Catherine (Kit) Elvins, 19, of Seattle, last July in their Burlington apartment. Or the jurors could accept her plea of insanity and she would be sent to a mental hospital.

The jury which convicted her of second degree murder Tuesday was to begin hearing psychiatric testimony Thursday on Miss Soule's insanity plea.

After a jail visit with Elaine, Mrs. Soule said reporters "I know the child is sick. No one who doesn't need help would do such a thing" as kill with 21 blows with a flat iron and 20 kitchen knife wounds.

"But it's a peculiar situation to be in to want your child to be sick enough to get what she needs to rebuild her. How can I stand up there and say my child is — sick?"

Superior Judge Frank B. Blum said three court-appointed psychiatrists who have examined Miss Soule would be called for questioning at the insanity hearing.

The trial is expected to last two days.

Miss Soule told reporters "Whenever they send me, I'll try to make the best of it. Of the second degree verdict, she said "I realize I got a break."

Cascades Plywood To Start Veneer Plant At Reedsport

Construction of Cascades Plywood Corp's new veneer plant at Reedsport is expected to begin soon.

The start of construction on the \$400,000 plant, which will employ between 50 and 60 persons on two shifts, is pending on approval by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers of plans to widen the flood control dyke near the Highway 101 Bridge over the Unquapa River.

A goal of May 1 has been set for the start of operations, according to B. V. Hancock, executive vice president of the concern. Site of the plant is on property purchased from the E. K. Wood Lumber Co.

Plant production is expected to reach one million feet daily on a one-eighths-inch basis. The veneer will be shipped to Lebanon, where Cascades operates the nation's largest single unit plywood plant, as well as a hardwood plant.

Cascades acquired some 300 million feet of timber in the transaction with E. K. Wood and logs to be peeled will come from timber lands from miles around Reedsport. In addition to the timber, Cascade purchased an old sawmill and two houses from E. K. Wood last fall, but no sawmill operations are presently planned at Reedsport by the buyers.

A third small producer said "local firms confirm that — (the price reduction)."

Babies Dropped From Windows

CHICAGO — A fire and explosion spread havoc through a crowded South Side apartment building early Thursday and in the frenzy to escape many children were dropped from windows of the four-story building.

One infant was dead and at least 20 persons were injured, including nine children.

Conflicting reports on the actual number of residents of the 27 apartments in the building in a Negro district left a possibility the toll of dead and injured might be higher.

Firemen began sifting ashes in the burned out structure in a search for possible additional victims.

"The babies were falling like rain drops," said Jack McMillan, 31, Negro, who rushed to the scene where he said he caught five children dropped from windows. He fractured a thumb while catching one child.

Fire officials said there were 104 occupants in the building.

Police said there was no connection between the explosion and a scare touched off on the West Side last night when it was learned that an estimated 100 persons had been sold a fuel oil-gasoline mixture as fuel.

Adjutant General Claims Diversion Of Army Funds May Eliminate Guard Units

By LEROY HITTLE OLYMPIA — The adjutant general of the Washington National Guard said Thursday heavy diversion of Army funds to the missile program threatens possible elimination of the 41st Division composed of Washington and Oregon National Guardsmen.

"If this division were to be eliminated, it would be a catastrophe insofar as the Washington National Guard is concerned," said Maj. Gen. George M. Haskett.

Commenting on the situation, Haskett said there were already indications that the ground forces of both the active Army and its Reserve components would be slashed, principally because funds are being diverted for the development of nuclear weapons.

"There is no question that everything possible must be done to place this nation again in the lead in scientific development and the production of nuclear weapons and missiles," he asserted.

"But there is danger in letting our ground forces dwindle while enemy nations continue to maintain hundreds of infantry and armored divisions."

Haskett said reports coming out of the Pentagon indicate that the National Guard will be reduced in strength of personnel by 10 percent the coming fiscal year and that the number of Guard units will be cut back drastically.

Plans Call For Cut "These reports further indicate that plans call for a cut in the Guard's 27 divisions," Haskett said.

"While our enemies count their division in the hundreds, it is inconceivable that this nation should make further reductions in the few divisions it has in its active Army and Reserve components."

The adjutant general also said "diversion of federal funds from the support of the National Guard would be a severe blow to this state."

He reported that the 41st Division occupies 28 armories in 24 cities.

It employs 103 full time civilian workers drawing an annual salary of about half a million dollars.

He also said the 4,000 Washington residents in the division receive annual drill pay of \$1,300, 000 and camp pay of \$420,000 which they spend in their local communities.

Acquittal Ordered For Two Men In Mail Fraud Case

PORTLAND — Acquittal was ordered Wednesday for two men charged with mail fraud.

U. S. Dist. Judge Gus Solomon pronounced the verdict for William S. Ingram, Oakland, and Robert Middleton, Redding. They are lumber brokers.

Middleton and Ingram went on trial Tuesday with Richard Bailey, 56, Eugene; Norman E. Egginan, 45, Portland; and Mrs. Laurel Macy, Springfield. Bailey was president of the now-defunct Bailey Lumber Co. of Eugene.

"I find that there would be insufficient evidence to convict these two defendants on charges of mail fraud or conspiracy to commit the same, on the issue of intent," Solomon said.

The government charge said two Oregon banks were defrauded of more than \$200,000 by the use of false invoices and bills of lading.

Riehard's brother, Al Bailey, pleaded guilty earlier to mail fraud charges. He was sentenced to three years and put on probation.

Al Bailey testified Wednesday that the firm headed by Richard Bailey used false invoices and bills of lading to get money from banks.

Admitted AWOL Sailor Arrested By Policeman

A sailor said to have admitted being AWOL was lodged in the city jail Wednesday by Roseburg police.

Taken into custody was John W. Pierce, 18, of the USS Yarnall. The arresting officer reported he had noticed Pierce "loafing" about various parts of the city for a period of time and Wednesday asked to see his leave papers.

The policeman stated that Pierce at first said his papers were at home but on the way to the police station revealed he had jumped ship at San Diego because he didn't want to go to Alaska where the vessel was bound.

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